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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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In response to the Office Action mailed May 14, 2008, please amend the application as follows:

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a three-month extension of the period for responding to the Office action, thereby moving the deadline for response from August 14, 2008 to November 14, 2008.